

# Local News Happenings

## in and about Town

### WORLD ADMITS ITS IGNORANCE

#### Willing to Admit There Are Things No One Knows, Says Rabbi Cronbach.

Appropriate services marked the observance of Atonement day at the Temple Beth-El Saturday morning. Rabbi Cronbach treated the subject "I Know." He said in part:

"One of the significant contrasts between the present age with its unquestionable striking contributions to progress and by-gone centuries when progress took the small's pace is just this—that we are wont candidly to confess that we do not know. Five hundred years ago people knew definitely all about the sun and all about the stars. They knew precisely who had gone to those respective places. People could tell you 500 years ago just as few can, still at the present day, tell you, all about the sun and all about the stars. People knew the magic substances and the magic formula by which devils could be cast out and witches rendered innocuous. About the past people knew everything. Any Rabbi of 500 years ago could give you the most positive and detailed information about Adam and Eve, Enoch and Noah, Abraham and Moses. Even the future was not a sealed book. By means of oracles, horoscopes, and Bible verses, people could predict the future, telling you readily and without hesitation about Gog and Magog, about Messiah, the son of Joseph, and Messiah, the son of David, about the resurrection of the dead, and the punishment of the sinners. But this decadent age of ours with its laboratories and observatories, its clinics, and its surveys, its libraries and universities, has ceased to possess this immense amount of knowledge.

"Modern science should be praised for its modesty. One of the serious indictments brought against our churches is that they are not equally modest. It is not at all improbable that many a good man and woman who could otherwise join hands with us in our religious endeavors is driven away by our affectation to know what we do not know.

"History contains more uncertainties than any other subject studied by serious men. Previous to the advent of a certain German scholar named Niebuhr, myth and legend and chronicle and fiction were all mixed up together and called history, with little or no attempt to discriminate.

"My being a Jew depends not upon my opinion touching matters of ages ago, but upon my attitude touching upon matters of today. Rest your Judaism upon what you do know. Do not rest that precious possession upon the unsafe pedestal of what you do not know. I am a Jew because somewhere every Jew I see appears somehow related to me, I am a Jew because every Jewish child is my love and my own. I do not know anything about Adam. But I do know where my heart is turned. That is what makes a Jew of you—the affections of your heart, not the doctrines of your head.

"We know that the world is full of experiences, full of impressions which can put into our souls the thoughts that will save. When we know this, we know that our Redeemer liveth.

"We do not know what is beyond the grave. But we do know that there are times when we stand upon the mountain summits of life. There are times when we love with a love that is deathless. There are times when we see with a sight that is selfish. Wait until those heaven-touching moments before you decide the questions of a hereafter.

"A person engaged in a quarrel is utterly incompetent to gauge the merits of the case concerning which he quarrels. Here also is where candor and right would make it say 'I do not know.'"

#### WALKS OFF ROOF WHILE ASLEEP; BREAKS ARM

Peter Whitmer, 1211 S. Fellows st., is slowly recovering the effects of a broken arm suffered Thursday night under peculiar circumstances. He is also thanking a lucky star that he was not mortally injured while he was walking off the roof of his home while taking a little pedal exercise around and about the second floor of his home while wrapped in the soothing and restful arms of slumber.

Mr. Whitmer's first knowledge of his midnight stroll came when he dreamed he was falling, to awake after he had met terra firma, which is rather foreign to dreams. He was out of doors, and as his arm pained him, as did other parts of his body which came in close and intensified contact with Mother Earth. Fully awake and after a physician had been called, Mr. Whitmer came to the realization he had walked off the roof of his front porch, which he had attained in his sleep, and had fallen ten feet to the ground.

One thing certain, according to people who have been troubled by walking dreams, once shocked or hurt when stumbling about thusly, a person will never again repeat the stunt, and they add Mr. Whitmer should consider himself fortunate in having such an easy cure for the peculiar condition.

#### HUSBAND A CONVICT

Bessie Hawkins Says Husband Failed to Support Her.

Charging that her husband failed to provide for her and that he is now in the state reformatory where he was sent from the circuit court on a charge of larceny, Mrs. Bessie Hawkins petitioned the superior court Friday afternoon to grant her a divorce from Ray Hawkins. The petitioner says that they were married in 1905. She asks for the custody of two children.

Breaks of every kind of castings welded. Mauer & Co., machinists, 215 1/2 St. Joseph st.—Adv.

See W. Mauer & Co. on structural steel work.—Adv.

### Elder Demonstrates Plow That Almost Runs Itself

There used to be a song with words that ran something like this: "Hear the merry farmer boy whistling as he ploughs." The song didn't go on to say that he whistled to keep up his courage as he trudged wearily down the furrow. But that's probably why he did whistle—and wish at the same time that he could sit in some shady spot by the fence and let the old horse and plough plug along without him behind them.

If anybody had told him that one day, and that not far off, he could go over and sit in the shade, on the gate maybe, pull his straw hat over his eyes, swing his bare feet in the cool air, and whistle all the songs he ever knew, while the plough went right along doing business without him, his lower jaw would likely have dropped clear off its hinges.

But nothing surprises the farmer-boy today, so his facial anatomy won't be endangered by the traction-ploughing exhibition at the fair. People do stand around open-mouthed, however, to see the plow set, and to sit in the wake of its engine, with no plough-boy aboard.

Elder Demonstrates.

E. W. Castle, presiding elder of the First Avenue Christian church, is the plough-boy that runs the International Harvester Co.'s traction engine that pulls the Oliver plow, and Mr. Castle explained details of construction and operation with a clearness that should have made every bystander feel the pull to get aboard and plough up the field.

"Is your tandem intelligent enough to turn the corners all by itself?" Mr. Castle laughed. "I haven't let it try that yet. I think it does enough without that. Just take a close look at that engine. It weighs less than 5,000 lbs., is a 16-horse power, and has a pressure of but 10 lbs. to the square foot."

"How much of the power does it take to pull the plow?"

### Give Abe Frank Gold Watch for Good Work

Praise after praise was heaped upon Abe Frank, president of the St. Joseph County Fair and Amusement association, at a luncheon given by him at the Oliver hotel Friday night for the horsemen, superintendents of the various departments of the Interstate fair and the newspapermen. In appreciation of the work of Mr. Frank he was presented with a South Bend watch by the business men of the city.

From the opening address by C. A. Carlisle to the closing talk by Mr. Livingston, there was nothing but sentiments of appreciation of Mr. Frank's work in making the Interstate fair a success. The fact that Mr. Frank has been in South Bend less than a year and has become one of the leading citizens was emphasized by every speaker that brought up his name.

Discuss All Phases.

Talks on every phase of the Interstate fair were given. There were discussions of everything from the work that has been accomplished for the present fair to the reminiscences of Samuel Leeper on the last event of this kind held here more than 20 years ago. Mr. Leeper discussed the work of securing Potawatomi park, the old fair grounds, which was fought through two legislatures and twice defeated.

Friday night's affair given by Mr. Frank showed further the good feeling between the fair association officials and the horsemen and other exhibitors who contributed to the success of the event. The many of the men who attended the luncheon said it was the first time they had ever been banqueted by fair directors.

Newspapers Get Hand.

The contribution of the press in assisting in making the Interstate fair a success was commented upon by both William A. McNerny, who acted as toastmaster, and Mr. Frank. John Henry Zaver, managing editor of The News-Times, thanked Mr. Frank, in behalf of the press, for the appreciation of the fair officials. W. W. Dunkle, who was in charge of the publicity end of the fair, told how the newspapers handled the advance news of the fair, saying that more than 600 columns of news material were sent out to the papers of northern Indiana and southern Michigan. Wilbur Armstrong, who assisted with the publicity, gave a short talk.

Cleanliness Praised.

C. A. Carlisle in his opening speech told of the work that had been accomplished by the fair association. He turned the assembly over to Mr. McNerny. In his talk, Mr. McNerny praised the cleanliness of the fair, which he held minus the gambling and drinking. At the conclusion of his talk he presented Mr. Frank with the watch.

Frank E. Hering continued to praise Mr. Frank and other officials of the fair association for their work. Rev. John Cavanaugh, president of Notre Dame university, said he was highly pleased with the fair—the clean way in which it was being conducted.

William Fleming, starter of the races, said the track was one of the best he had ever seen and that it would be much better next year. The way in which the fair has been handled, and the treatment accorded the horsemen, he said, was wonderful, considering that this is the first year for a fair here in nearly a quarter of a century.

Niedbalski Gets Check.

Leo Niedbalski, winner of the 2:40 country trot on Tuesday, was presented with a check by Isaac Lower, superintendent of the speed department.

P. McGill moved that the new officers be given a vote of thanks for their assistance.

Following are the other speakers: Col. Joseph Sullivan, J. French, J. P. McGill, Wilbur Armstrong, G. W. Pritchard, representing the J. Crouch stock farm of Lafayette; Isaac Lower, John G. Yeagley, Irving Goss, superintendent of the poultry show, Louis Cohen of Laporte, G. N. Chubb and Abe Livingston, treasurer of the fair association.

Charles Albert McDonald II, 724 Portage av., was elected president of the senior class of the high school yesterday by a large majority.

Other officers elected for the first term of the 1915-'16 school year were: Vice-president, Katherine Guthrie; Secretary, Mary Livingston; treasurer, Agnes White, marshal, Robert Minkler; and for the sponsors of the class, Miss Ethel Montgomery and Mr. Shepherd Leffler were elected by a large vote.

At the last minute Carl Prell, who was looked upon by the students as the probable victor, withdrew his name as a candidate for president.

Of the senior class which numbers close to 150 only 98 votes were cast.

Immediately upon his election Mr. McDonald appointed the pin committee to hold a meeting in the principal's office and met the representatives of large jewelry establishments who called at the high school for the purpose of placing the pin and rings for the senior class.

The committee consisted of Wallace Davis, Carl Prell, Bernard Keltner, and Virginia Schneider, Katherine Guthrie, Erma Sawyer and Marion Chard.

The nominees of the junior class will be sanctioned or cancelled by the board of control when it meets tonight at the high school and the election will probably be held the early part of next week.

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### M'GILL STORE IN NEW DISPLAY

Windows Showing Merchandise Decorated in L'Art Nouveau Design.

Attractive window decorations in connection with the annual fall opening of the J. P. McGill furniture store are one of the big features of the display of new merchandise. The windows are of the L'Art Nouveau design. They have a background of white and red and also beautiful. Extending across the background are dials in the wall board, and above the dials are panels which are handpainted.

The panels were executed by Norval Schreiner, a graduate of the Kester window trimming school of Chicago, and the present window decorator for McGill, and are unique in construction. They consist of artistic reproductions of landscape and water scenes.

New and attractive furniture has been added to the present stock. On the first floor are luxurious tapestry chairs and rockers and also beautiful suites in solid mahogany and antique ivory. The south show window contains an ideal bedroom set, the furniture being antique ivory over solid mahogany.

On the second floor there is a row of dining room tables which extends the entire length of the store, a distance equivalent to half a block. Dressers and other bedroom suites are found there. The third floor contains a daylight rug department and in addition davenport and various pieces of parlor furniture.

The furniture in the store has been tastefully arranged for the opening which has been going on this week. The chief feature, however, is the window trimming which is different from anything that has ever been shown in the city.

### CUTTER CO. WINS CONTESTS AT Y. M. C. A.

Employees of South Bend Lathe Co. Participate in Joint Meeting.

With three points of the evening to the credit of each corporation, the George Cutter Co. won the fourth and last contest of the relay race last night at the Y. M. C. A. at the joint contest meeting of the Cutter Co. employees and the South Bend Lathe Co. employees.

Two hundred and fifty employees of the two factories with their families attended the social meeting when an inspection of the building was made, and the exclusive use of the amusement tables and tank enjoyed by the employees.

The indoor baseball game won by the Cutter Co. by the score of 2 to 1 proved to be the feature of the evening. They also won the tug of war and the games of pool, while the Lathe Co. won the pitcher, scooter and shuffle games. The last event being the mile relay race was matched perfectly and all runners ran neck and neck until the last few yards when the Cutter man drew under the rope by only a shade.

Following the contests 80 employees took a plunge in the big tank. This is the first of a series of contests and entertainments to be given by the association during the winter to the various factory employees of the city in order to interest them in the work of the association.

### TO CONTINUE CONCERTS

Elbel's Band to Play Tonight at Court House.

Merchants responsible for the concerts at the court house square will not disappoint their patrons and the weekly concert by Elbel's band will be played on Saturday evening as usual. An exceptional fine program has been arranged for the occasion, which will be confined entirely to the popular variety.

It includes the selection from "High Jinks," the masterpiece of Rudolph Friml, the recognized comic opera king. Also a medley of the latest song hits published by the Remick which begins promptly at 7:30, will be music house. The complete program, interspersed with the latest popular compositions, is as follows:

March—Tournament . . . . . Thrums Waltz—Danube Waves . . . . . Ivanovitch Intermezzo—Every Little Movement . . . . . Hoshna Selection—High Jinks . . . . . Friml Dance—Hungarian No. 6 . . . . . Brahms Scotch Patrol—Wee MacGregor . . . . . Ames Selection—Mare Marce . . . . . Krusman Song Medley—Remick's Latest . . . . . Lampe Finale—Come Across . . . . . Kaufman Star Spangled Banner. Fred Elbel, Conductor.

### \$5,000 SIGN ADMIRER

Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. Display Attracts Attention.

Much attention is being attracted to the new \$5,000 sign of the Indiana & Michigan Electric company, constructed on the roof of the power plant on the east side of the river. The sign was turned on last night and presents a most attractive appearance in the night.

As to size, the sign, which is operated and illuminated by electricity, is one of the largest in the section and can be seen at a great distance. It presents the caption "Do It Electrically" in letters which light one by one. From each letter to a revolving display centered at the base are strings of lights which appear as sun rays. These also come on and off with the letter lights. The center remains illuminated as do the blazing urns at each end, which have been constructed and lighted to duplicate main fires.

### \$250 PEARL IN OYSTER

J. C. Wanamaker likes oysters, and oysters are in season, and the fact he is fond of the shell fish as a food, and raw at that, added to the fact oysters are now in season, meant his discovery of a pearl valued around \$250 Friday.

Mr. Wanamaker came to South Bend from Toledo, O., to see the fair, and seeking sustenance saw the oyster sign at the Washington restaurant. He ordered "raws" and in the midst of his dish plucked forth a productive one. The pearl is on display at the Washington and raw oysters have increased in favor.

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### LODGE NOTES

The 80th anniversary of the South Bend Post, No. 1, Macabees, will be held Dec. 29, according to arrangements made last night at the regular meeting of the tent held at Beyer hall. There are 25 charter members still with the tent and some of them are active at present. These members will have charge of the anniversary. A program of short talks by the charter members and musical numbers will feature the affair.

During the course of the business meeting five candidates were initiated and other routine business transacted. Cards with lunch and a smoker followed the evening meeting. The entertainment committee is preparing the winter's amusements for the tent and a report will be made at the first meeting in October.

Members of Schuyler Rebekah lodge, No. 39, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will observe their 64th anniversary Tuesday evening at the Odd Fellows' hall on W. Washington av. A literary program given by members of the lodge will feature the event.

Entertainments during the winter for the South Bend community, No. 9, I. O. O. F., will be arranged during the next two weeks and a report made by the committee in charge at the next meeting to be held Oct. 1, according to plans made Friday evening at the regular meeting of the campment at the Odd Fellows' hall. Routine business completed the business meeting and a social session followed.

Initiation of a class of candidates took place last night at the regular meeting of the Montauk hay loft, No. 426 1/2, Red Men, at the Red Men hall on S. Michigan st. Following the business session a banquet and smoker was enjoyed by the members.

NOTICE.

All Aulen Relief Corps members are requested to meet at Central street car station at 2 o'clock Saturday to attend funeral services of Mrs. Burton, 118 Emerick st. Adv.

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